PROJECT NAME:	Baldy Creek Placer Exploration
DATE:	May 23, 2013; June 10, 2019
DISTRICT:	Palouse Ranger District

CONSIDERATION OF EXTRAORDINARY CIRCUMSTANCES

EXTRAORDINARY CIRCUMSTANCES	PRESENT? (YES/NO) MAJOR EFFECT? (YES/NO)		INFORMATION OR MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENT	
A1. Threatened, endangered, & sensitive species or their habitats - WILDLIFE	Yes	No		
A2. Threatened, endangered, & sensitive species or their habitats - FISHERIES	Yes	No		
A3. Threatened, endangered, & sensitive species or their habitats - PLANTS	Yes	No		
B. Floodplains, wetlands, or municipal watersheds	Yes	No		
C. Congressionally designated areas such as wilderness or National Recreation Areas	No	No		
D. Roadless areas	No	No		
E. Research Natural Areas	No	No		
F. Native American religious or cultural sites, archeological sites, or historic properties or areas	No	No	Site visit by Zone archaeologist.	

Projects in Roadless Areas

Project impacts on roadless characteristics as defined in 36 CFR 294(B)11 & (C)21

Roadless Characteristics	Present? (YES/NO)	INFORMATION OR MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENT
1. High quality or undisturbed soil, water and air.		
2. Sources of public drinking water		
3. Diversity of plant and animal communities		
4. Habitat for threatened, endangered, proposed, candidate and sensitive species and for those species dependant on large undisturbed areas or land		
5. Primitive, semi-private nonmotorized and semi-primitive motorized classes of dispersed recreation		
6. Reference landscapes7. Natural appearing landscapes with high scenic quality		
8. Traditional cultural properties and sacred sites9. Other locally identified unique characteristics		

Projects involving Road Construction, Reconstruction, Temporary Roads, and/or Haul Routes

ACCESS CONSIDERATIONS	YES/NO	MITIGATION MEASURE/COMMENTS/INFO
1. Will road construction or reconstruction be required? Type of road and length.		
2. Will temporary roads be needed?		
3. Will road maintenance be needed? Who will perform?		
4. Is the area in a travel plan closure area? Year round or seasonal? Hunting season restrictions?		
5. Are haul roads part of an established snowmobile network?		
6. Are there public safety concerns for roads, trails, or other road improvements?		
7. Are there other improvements which will require protection?		
8. Will the project impact winter range?		
9. Will the project impact critical elk summer range or cause elk summer habitat effectivenees?		
10. Will the project impact elk security?		

Projects involving Vegetation/Fuels Treatment

RESOURCE CONSIDERATION	YES/NO	MITIGATION/EXPLANATION
1. Will post-treatment stands meet R1 down woody debris requirements?		
2. Will post-treatment stands meet snag and replacement snag guidelines?		
3. Are activities proposed in PACFISH/INFISH RHCA or wetland?		
4. Is the area in a PACFISH/INFISH priority watershed? Is the stream fish bearing?		
5. Are there soil compaction concerns? i.e. Does the proposal involve ground based heavy equipment?		
6. Is the area in an active grazing allotment? What type of livestock? How many?		
7. Does the area meet elk habitat effectiveness?		
8. Is the area in a visually sensitive area? Will mitigation measures be needed to reduce adverse visual effects?		
9. What other entities or agencies need to be contacted for coordination.		
10. Are there land line survey needs?		
11. What noxious weed control measures will be employed?		
12. Are activities proposed in old growth or replacement old growth?		